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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re Application of: Brian J. Veneklas

Examiner: Jenise E. Jackson

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Group Art Unit: 2131

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For: Secure Communications Methodology and Computer System Utilizing the Methodology

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

The Applicant's undersigned Attorney thanks the Examiner for a kind and thorough review of the Application. In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that an election/restriction is required. Applicant hereby elects Genus I as described in the Office Action and, as the Examiner has indicated, claims 1-4 form Genus I. The Examiner has further indicated that Genus I reads upon Figures 1, 2, and 5. This election is made with traverse and without waiving the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

Applicant further responds to the Office Action mailed on 3/20/2003 in the following manner.

Please amend Applicant's Claim 3 and add the following new claims 7-8 which Applicant's undersigned Attorney respectfully asserts adds no new material and read only upon Figures 1, 2, and 5.

**Claim 3 (Amended "clean version")**

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A recognition grid adapted for use with an array of memory locations, each of said